Cash and Investment Monitoring

FY2010 Training

What is the PTIF?

- PTIF = Public Treasurer's Investment Fund
- Includes funds held by Utah local gov'ts, city & county treasurers, state boards, commissions, institutions, departments, divisions, agencies, school districts and other public bodies

What state funds can invest in the PTIF?

- Only those funds that have legislative authority (by statute) to earn interest can invest money in the PTIF
- FIACCT 02-07 governs this

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Example of statute allowing interest –

19-8-103. Creation of restricted account -- Purposes.
(1) There is created within the General Fund the

this chapter.

Environmental Voluntary Cleanup restricted account.
(2) The account shall be used to fund department administration and oversight of voluntary cleanups initiated under

(3) The account may earn interest, which shall be deposited in the account, to be used for the purposes under this section.

Policy regarding investment of funds

FIACCT 02-07

Finance policy regarding investment of funds – FIACCT 02-07

- Allows state agencies to invest excess cash with the State Treasurer and receive interest earned on the investments
- Establishes minimum cash balance requirements

Finance policy regarding investment of funds – FIACCT 02-07

- Policy applies to the investment of funds if:
 - The funds are maintained on the state's central accounting system and
 - The funds are authorized to invest and retain interest through legislative directive or
 - The funds are authorized to invest and retain interest by contractual agreement (trust funds)

Finance policy regarding investment of funds – FIACCT 02-07

- Minimum Balance Requirement
 - Each investing fund should maintain an uninvested cash balance of \$50,000 or 10% of the cash + investment balance (whichever is lesser)

Minimum Balance Requirement

- The General Fund incurs the cost of accounting for and investing funds and therefore should receive compensation for this service
- This compensation is received by the General Fund if each investing fund maintains a minimum cash balance (all cash balances within FINET are automatically invested by the General Fund)

Example --

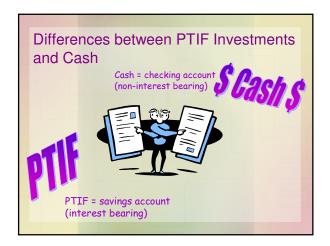
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Finance policy regarding investment of funds – FIACCT 02-07

- Uninvested Balances
 - If there is money in cash that is not invested, interest will not be applied retroactively.
 - If the error is outside the agency's control, the agency may request a retroactive application of interest (contact the Division of Finance)





Just like at a bank --

- If interest should be earned on \$\$, it needs to be in the "savings account"
- If money is being spent, \$\$ needs to be in cash (0010) or else the "checking account" will become overdrawn
- Money is not automatically transferred between checking and savings when a check is written

PTIF Procedures

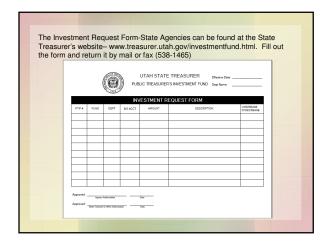
Setting up PTIF accounts and investing/un-investing money

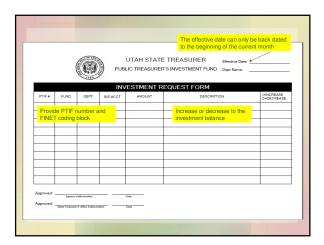
How to set up a PTIF account

- Ensure the fund has statutory authority to earn interest
- Contact Stephanie Baldes at the Treasurer's Office at 538-1470 or <u>sbaldes@utah.gov</u> to get a PTIF account number
- Complete the PTIF New Account Application and Change Form found on-line at www.treasurer.utah.gov/investmentfund.html
- Fax the completed form to 538-1465

Procedures to invest funds

- Deposit the monies into the fund (CR) this should be done within 3 working days of receiving the money
- Send request form to the State Treasurer's office to invest or un-invest the funds
- The Treasurer's office will process a JVCO to move the monies between cash and investment

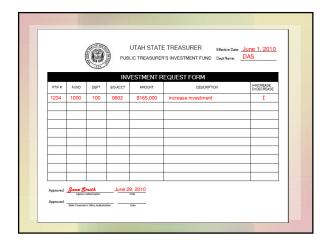




Example --

 On June 1, Department 100 receives \$165,000. It needs to be invested in PTIF account #1234 to earn interest

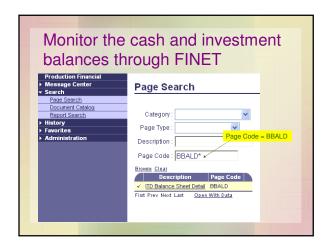
Today is June 29th and nothing has happened with the PTIF account yet. What needs to be done?



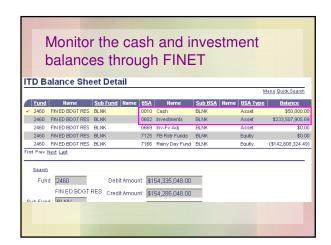
Monitoring Cash and Investment Balances

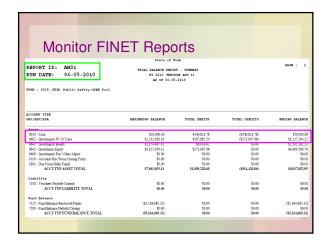
Monitoring cash balances to maximize interest earnings

- Reconcile the fund to the monthly PTIF statement; notify the Treasurer's office of any errors
- Be aware of large cash transactions going through the fund (large deposits coming in; large payments going out; quarterly appropriation transfers); invest/un-invest as needed during the month

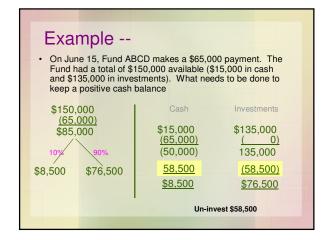








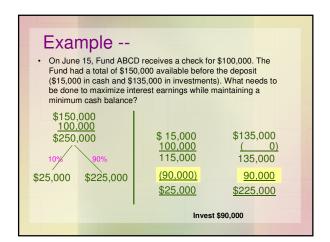
Example -
• On June 15, Fund ABCD makes a \$65,000 payment. The Fund had a total of \$150,000 available (\$15,000 in cash and \$135,000 in investments). What needs to be done to keep a positive cash balance



Example --

 On June 15, Fund ABCD receives a check for \$100,000. The Fund had a total of \$150,000 available before the deposit (\$15,000 in cash and \$135,000 in investments). What needs to be done to maximize interest earnings while maintaining a minimum cash balance?





Negative Cash Balances

The effect on the General Fund and on interest earned

Negative Cash Balances

- The General Fund earns interest daily on all of the cash in balance sheet 0010
- If any individual fund has a negative cash balance, it reduces the interest earned by the General Fund
- The General Fund is basically loaning the other fund money to cover its negative cash balance

Negative Cash Balances

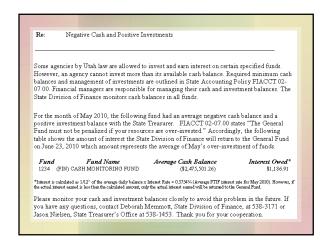
Interest is still
earned by ABCD
Fund on its
investments
even though the
cash balance in
the fund is
negative

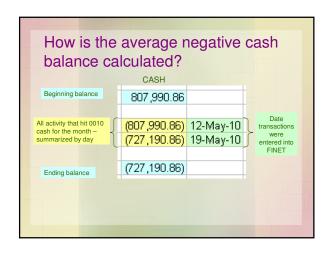


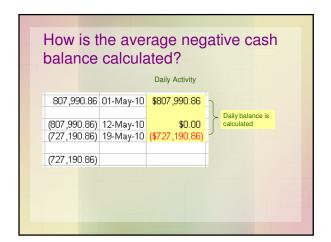
The General Fund loses interest on the overall cash balance since ABCD Fund has a negative cash balance

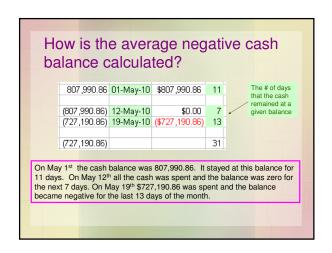
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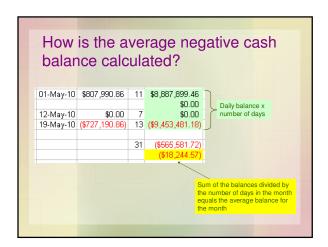
- Per FIACCT 02-07, "the General Fund must not be penalized if your resources are over invested"
- The Division of Finance monitors cash balances on a monthly basis. If a fund has a negative balance for the month, the interest earned will be returned to the General Fund

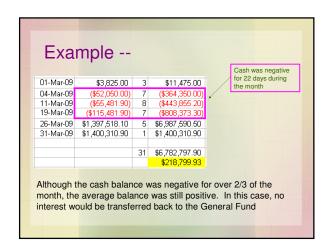












Be aware of the cash balance in the fund – the General Fund receives the interest earned on uninvested cash balances

		BS Acct 0010		Interest Would
1		Avg Bal	PTIF %	Have Earned
	Jan 2010	\$13,086,595.10	0.5955%	6,618.71
	Feb 2010	\$13,086,595.10	0.5518%	5,539.79
	Mar 2010	\$12,510,720.10	0.5605%	5,955.20
	April 2010	\$12,070,345.10	0.5649%	5,604.22
	May 2010	\$12,070,345.10	0.5833%	5,980.20
	-			\$ 29,698,11

Over 5 months, this fund lost \$29,698.11 in interest that it would have earned if the money was invested in the PTIF

Summary of Useful Tips

- Establish time-frame/schedule of when to evaluate balances and invest/un-invest
 - Evaluate based on nature of fund and its activity
- Focus on significant amounts (determine what \$\$ threshold works for the fund)
- Monitor real-time balances in FINET (BBALD)
- Reconcile PTIF statements monthly
- Review FINET reports monthly (AM31)



Question #1

Agency XXX receives a payment of \$250,000 on January 5th. A CR is done to record the receipt in FINET on January 6th. On January 29th, Billie realizes that the \$250,000 should have been moved to the PTIF account so it could earn interest. What should she do?

- a. nothing it's too late
- b. wait until Feb and then send a request to the Treasurer's office to invest the funds
- c. send a request to the Treasurer's office immediately with January 29th as the effective date
- d. send a request to the Treasurer's office using January 5th as the effective date

Question #2

Every quarter there is an appropriation transfer out of Fund 1234 for \$1,000,000. Bob is responsible for monitoring the cash in the fund. He is on vacation when the transfer is made during the first week of March. Fund 1234 has a negative cash balance for three weeks before he has a chance to move money from the PTIF account to cover the transfer. What should he do?

- a. send a request to the Treasurer's office to un-invest \$1,000,000 using March 1st as the effective date
- b. hope nobody notices the negative cash balance
- c. wait for Finance to send him a letter, then deal with it
- d. send a request to the Treasurer's office using March 31st as the effective date and wait for Finance to take back interest earned during the time his cash was negative.

Question #2

Timing of quarterly transfers: the 1st week of the 3rd month of each quarter

September

December

March

June

Who to contact?

- Treasurer's Office
 - -Jason Nielsen 538-1453
 - Fax 538-1465
- Division of Finance
 - Deborah Memmott 538-3171

